

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

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The zoom speed of a zoom function is detected by
a zoom lever detection circuit. A sensed image is
5 displayed on a monitor, and a desired partial region in
that sensed image is designated using a region
designation lever. A compression circuit compresses
the designated region and a non-designated region using
different characteristics. A region detector controls
10 the designated region on the basis of the detected zoom
speed.

In another arrangement, enlargement/reduction
zoom operation by a zoom function is executed by a zoom
lever. A sensed image is displayed on a monitor, and a
15 desired partial region in that sensed image is
designated using a region designation lever. A
compression circuit compresses the designated region
and a non-designated region using different
characteristics. A region detector controls the
20 designated region on the basis of the zoom operation.